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OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

MEMORANDUM

June 15, 2000

TO: ENERGY STAR® Printer/Fax/Mailing Machine Partners

FROM: Andrew Fanara, Program Manager, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

RE: Final "Printer/Fax" Agreement – Version 3.0

EPA has completed the ENERGY STAR® Printer, Fax, Printer-Fax, and Mailing Machine Agreement — Version 3.0. This memorandum informs Partners on the status of a number of issues that require further clarification and provides Partners with information on EPA's next steps for issuing customized agreements.

First, EPA wishes to thank each Partner for their participation in developing Agreement – Version 3.0. This Agreement addresses a number of new issues that are increasingly important to ensure the Program remains current with technological and functional changes occurring in the market. EPA looks forward to working with Partners to address these new challenges as they occur. For example, digital front-end units may need to be reviewed to better understand how to accommodate changes in technology.

Second, industry is invited to work with EPA on developing future agreements that address these new technical challenges. A proposed timetable to begin this process is included in section III.D. of this Agreement (Agreement – Version 3.0).

Third, beginning on 7 July 2000, Partners can request a customized Agreement via the Internet. To request a customized Agreement, complete the online Agreement request form located at www.epa.gov/appdstar/esoe/moureq.html. Once EPA receives a completed form, you will receive a customized Agreement via e-mail. The e-mail also will include additional information on completing the Agreement request process.

Finally, as we move forward, it is important that EPA and its Partners continue to work together to ensure the ENERGY STAR Programs achieve optimal energy savings. Please feel free to contact me by phone at 202-564-9019 or e-mail at mailto:fanara.andrew@epa.gov to discuss any questions regarding the next steps.

Thank you for your participation, and I look forward to receiving your requests for customized Agreements in the near future.